

A RESOLUTION BY THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD OF GEORGIA 1995

MIKE PADGETT HIGHWAY — DESIGNATED.

WHEREAS, the Honorable Michael J. Padgett, Sr. has devoted his entire adult life to serving Richmond County, Georgia and his nation; and

WHEREAS, that service began when he entered the U.S. Army at the age of 20 in 1943, earning two Battle Stars and a Combat Infantryman's Badge before his release in 1945; and

WHEREAS, he served on the Richmond County Commission from 1957 until 1964, and as its Chairman from 1959 to 1962; and

WHEREAS, he served in the Georgia State Senate from 1964 to 1970, acting as Floor Leader for Governor Maddox for two years; and

WHEREAS, he reflected great credit upon his region by serving as Administrative Assistant to Lt. Governor Lester Maddox from 1971 to 1974; and

WHEREAS, he represented Richmond County in the House of Representatives from 1979 to 1994, serving as Chairman of the Richmond County Legislative Delegation from 1980 to 1994; and

WHEREAS, he served on the Appropriations, Banks & Banking, Defense and Veterans Affairs Committees, and as Chairman of the Interstate Cooperation Committee in 1993 and 1994; and

WHEREAS, he has been a leader in the business and civic life of his region, working to improve the quality of life for all Georgians.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in recognition of his service, the section of State Route 56 extending from U.S. 25 to the Burke County line be designated the "Mike Padgett Highway."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioner of Transportation be directed to appropriately mark this section of State Route 56 and that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy be presented to Mr. Padgett.

Unanimously adopted this 15th day of June, 1995.